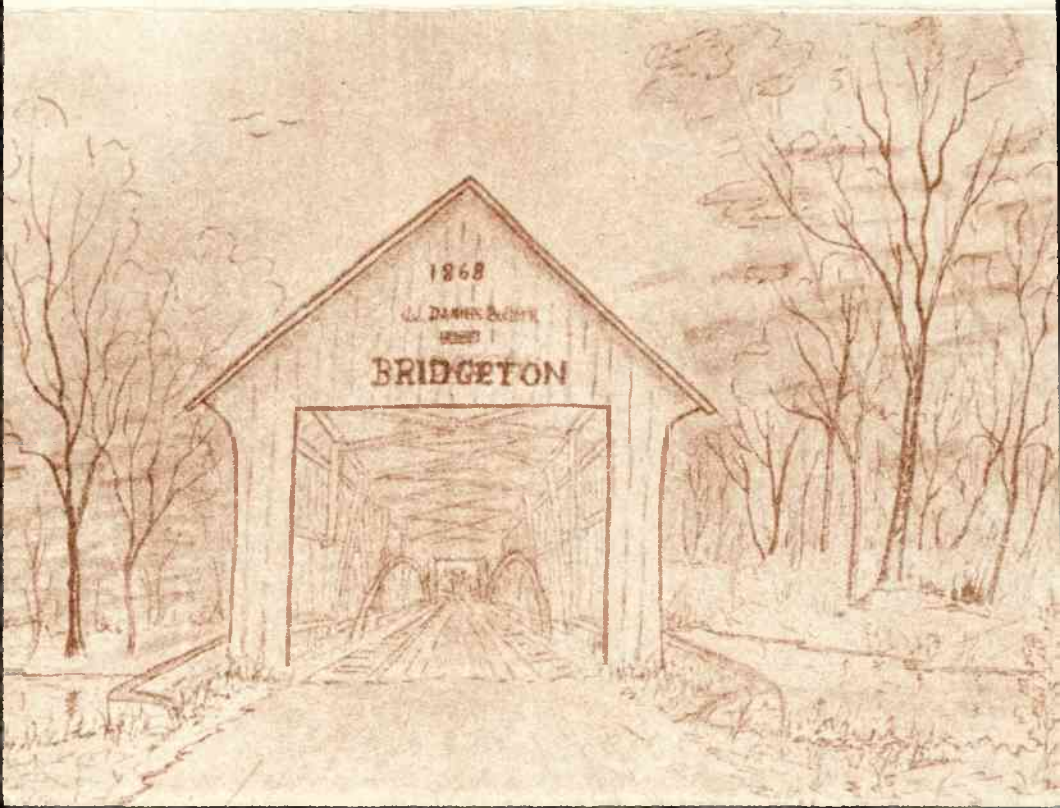
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Paris, Illinois
April 6, 1971

Miss Ruth E. Adamson
Meadows Manor
3300 Poplar Street
Terre Haute, Indiana

Dear Miss Adamson:— May I thank you for your interest in my book, and telling stories from it to groups of people.

The stories are all true and I relive some of them ever so often. Just this week I have sent copies to Washington D.C. California and Peoria, Illinois.

There are copies in Australia - Yugo Slavia - Israel - England and many other countries.

At Christmas time I sent a full box of 64 books into eastern Kentucky coal fields - all for free

Thanks again

Earl E. Killion Dr

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Author of
"The Covered Bridge"

August 7, 1967

Miss Ruth E. Adamson
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Dear Miss Adamson:

I wish to thank you for the nice letter in regards to my book, The Covered Bridge. Your letter came just before I was to leave for the Illinois State Fair at Springfield. I have charge of the Bee and Honey Exhibit and, I must add, these are considered the finest to be found anywhere in the world.

On Sunday, August 13, I will fly into Washington, D.C., for the XXIst International Apicultural Congress at College Park, Md. This is the first time that the Congress has been held in the United States. I will enjoy meeting beekeepers from all over the world, most of whom have been reading my articles in the bee journals for the past 30 years.

Now we will leave the bees for a while and "cross over the bridge." On Sunday, July 16, I drove the lead car of a 43-car caravan of beekeepers from several states through six of the Parke County covered bridges. I now have letters from most of those states mentioning what a wonderful treat it was to see these bridges.

It was interesting to learn that Clara Mabel Martin Carrithers' father built the Mansfield bridge. Last fall at the Bridge Festival, I met Mr. Lawrence Britton, of the Britton family who built six or more covered bridges. I watched this family as they built their last bridge in Parke County, the Jeffries Ford bridge in 1915. I was sorry, indeed, to read three weeks ago of the passing of Mr. Britton.

I am glad to know that you enjoyed the book; your letter will be added to the many, many others that tell of the pleasure my book has brought to the readers.

Very truly yours,

Carl E. Killion Sr

Carl E. Killion

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